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FBIS 25 (SEE 15--BOKASSA DEPOSED)

CAE: BOKASSA ALLEGEDLY IN LIBYA

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(TEXT) PARIS, SEPT 21 (AFP)--CENTRAL AFRICAN EMPIRE'S BOKASSA THE FIRST WAS IN LIBYA YESTERDAY WHEN DAVID DACKO, OUSTED AS PRESIDENT IN 1965, MOUNTED A COUP D'ETAT AND SEIZED POWER, RELIABLE SOURCES SAID HERE TODAY.

THE SOURCES SAID THE OUSTED EMPEROR LEFT BANGUI, HIS COUNTRY'S CAPITAL, 48 HOURS EARLIER FOR TRIPOLI. THERE, HE WAS PLANNING TO NEGOTIATE IMPORTANT AID IN RETURN FOR ALLOWING A LIBYAN BASE TO BE SET UP IN THE NORTH OF THE CENTRAL AFRICAN COUNTRY.

THE FORMER EMPEROR WAS TO HAVE RETURNED HOME TODAY, THE SOURCES ADDED.

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